

**TUSTIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER**

**JAMES H. LAIRD**

**AGE: 40**

**OCCUPATION:** Deputy District Attorney

I have experience to lead TUSD to excellence!

Raised in Tustin since 1964.

Graduate: Tustin Schools, Harvard University, McGeorge Law School.  
California State Assembly Fellow, 1987-88.

Orange County Senior Deputy District Attorney for 13 years, prosecuting murder, kidnapping, robbery, political corruption, drug and gang crime, D.U.I., and truancy, making our schools and community safer.

Service as TUSD Advisory Committee Member, PTA Legislative Representative.

Married, with three children who will graduate from Tustin public schools.

Supported by community leaders, law enforcement, and involved parents.

Our Tustin community is unique, providing outstanding quality of life for our families and friends. That's why, like so many other TUSD graduates, I chose to remain here to raise a family. The children in this community are a precious resource; they deserve the best public schools possible. I pledge to support all participants in the educational process: students, parents, teachers, and administration.

I will champion the competitiveness of our students by:

Maintaining small classes and high academic standards.

Guaranteeing Measure G money produces "state-of-the-art" facilities modernization.

Optimizing development of Tustin Air Base with new schools for TUSD.

Providing fiscally conservative oversight.

Remaining independent, representing all geographic areas of TUSD with open communication.

I appreciate your vote!